
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : BICKFORD SMITH, Philip et al.
Application Serial Number : 10/532,772
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Title : Medical Small-Bore Tubing System and Kit
Examiner : Anderson, Michael J.
Art Unit : 3767

**SUMMARY OF TELEPHONIC INTERVIEW WITH EXAMINER MICHAEL
ANDERSON ON MARCH 4, 2008.**

Applicants' representative, Marc Karish conducted a telephonic interview with Examiner Michael Anderson. No exhibits were submitted and no demonstration was conducted.

Claim 1

Applicants' representative discussed whether the primary reference, Segal et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,402,207) teaches or suggests "application affordance" as recited in claim 1. No agreement was reached.

Claim 2

Applicants' representative discussed whether Segal et al teaches or suggests "a shape of the grip that is suggestive of a part of a human body for which the application is intended." No agreement was reached.

Claim 3, 4 and 5

Applicants' representative discussed whether Segal et al. teaches or suggests specifically shaped connectors such as a shape suggestive of a human spine and rib cage for neuraxial uses; a bellows-like shape suggestive of air flow for respiratory applications; and a bulbous shape suggested of a human colon for enteral applications as recited in claims 3, 4, and 5. No agreement was reached.

Claims 8, 9 and 10

Applicants' representative discussed whether Segal et al. teaches or suggests a wing, a waist or a button as recited in claims 8, 9 and 10. No agreement was reached.

CONCLUSION

In sum, the Examiner expressed his intention to maintain the rejections of the claims as issued in the final Office Action dated November 28, 2007.

Respectfully Submitted,

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